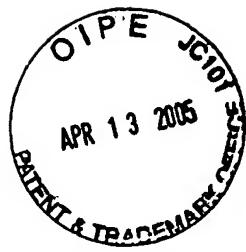


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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Sir:

Concurrent with this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in the present Application. This Request is in response to Examiner's Final Office Action having a mailing date of 16 November 2004 (the "Final Office Action"). As said period has expired, accompanying this request is a petition, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, for a two-month extension of time and the necessary fee, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a).

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.